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MINERAL COUNTY RECIEVES \$25,000 GRANT FROM USDA RURAL DEVELOPMENT

Creede, CO – Mineral County will be able to construct a new facility to house three ambulances and additional equipment thanks in part to a \$25,000 Grant from USDA Rural Development. Other partners in this project include Department of Local Affairs, Mineral County Ambulance Board, and public contributions. “This support ensures that first responders have the necessary equipment and training to do their jobs. These services are vital to the security and safety of our rural communities,” said Joe Hostetler, Colorado Acting State Director, USDA Rural Development.

Over the years, Mineral County’s ambulance service has grown to three ambulances and 19 volunteer Emergency Medical Technicians (EMT). “This new building will provide Mineral County the ability to have disaster response capabilities in one location and will allow our dedicated volunteers to get their required training easily and timely,” said Janelle Kukuk, Mineral County. “This project has been long in coming and will be welcomed when the building is finished,” said Kukuk.

As a venture capital entity, Rural Development provides equity and technical assistance to finance and foster growth in homeownership, business development, and critical community and technology infrastructure. Further information on rural programs is available at any of the eight local USDA Rural Development offices or by visiting Colorado’s web site at <http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/co/index.html>

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